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Dexter's street crews are staying in front of the latest round of wintry weather expected Monday and working to prepare city streets for the predicted ice and snow.

Street Department Supt. Jeff Myers said Monday morning city street crews have been out since early Monday morning preparing for the winter weather.

"I'd rather be safe than sorry," Myers said.

Crews have applied a salt solution - roadway "stripes" you see - to promote melting. Myers said the Street Department has three crews on the streets applying the solution. The tank on each truck contains about 425 gallons of solution. The solution is mixed at the department shed and then loaded onto the tanks on each truck.

The three city crews will continue to work on applying the solution. Myers said it will take the three crews 6-7 hours to apply the salty solution to all city streets.

The National Weather Service in Paducah has issued a Winter Weather Advisory for Stoddard County and the surrounding area. Snow is predicted, arriving Monday mainly after noon with a high near 35. The chance of precipitation is 90 percent. Total daytime snow accumulation of around an inch possible.

Freezing rain will arrive Monday night before midnight, with a low around 32. Chance of precipitation is 100 percent. New ice accumulation of 0.1 to 0.2 of an inch possible.

Photo Above: Street crews in Dexter are working to help prepare the city for the predicted winter weather due to arrive Monday evening. On hand at the Street Department Monday morning were (from left) Michael Wolpers, Street Supt. Jeff Myers and Jim Overall. (SMT Photo by Annabeth Miller)

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